

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
CHARLOTTE DIVISION
CIVIL CASE NO. 3:20-cv-00286-MR**

JOHN THOMAS JONES, III,

Plaintiff,

vs.

TONI SELLERS HAIRE, et al.,

Defendants.

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ORDER

THIS MATTER is before the Court on Plaintiff's *pro se* Motion to Continue [Doc. 47], and on Defendants' Motion to Extend Case Management Deadlines [Doc. 48].

The incarcerated *pro se* Plaintiff filed this action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 for the allegedly deficient medical care he at the Lanesboro Correctional Institution. The Complaint passed initial review on claims that the Defendants were deliberately indifferent to a serious medical need.¹ [Doc. 11]. On May 24, 2021, the Court entered a Pretrial Order and Case Management Plan that set the discovery cutoff date as September 3, 2021

¹ Defendants Haynes and Haire have been dismissed from the case. [Docs. 39, 43]. The remaining Defendants are Alvin R. Burke, Natalie Snipes Mills, and Randy Mullis.

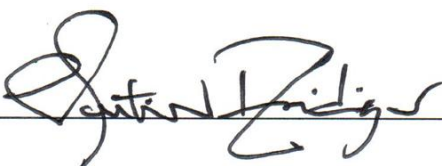
and the deadline to file dispositive motions as October 4, 2021. [Doc. 42].
A Protective Order was entered on September 20, 2021. [Doc. 46].

In the pending Motions, the parties ask the Court to extend the discovery and dispositive motions deadlines. The Plaintiff seeks a 60-day extension of the deadlines whereas the Defendants seek a 30-day extension. An extension will be granted for 60 days for good cause shown and in light of the Plaintiff's *pro se* incarcerated status.²

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that Plaintiff's *pro se* Motion to Continue [Doc. 47] and Defendants' Motion to Extend Case Management Deadlines [Doc. 48] are **GRANTED**, and the parties shall have until November 2, 2021 to complete discovery and until December 3, 2021 to file dispositive motions.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed: September 24, 2021



Martin Reidinger
Chief United States District Judge



² The Court also appointed North Carolina Prisoner Legal Services (NCPLS) to assist the Plaintiff with discovery pursuant to Standing Order 3:19-mc-00060. [Doc. 42]. However, NCPLS was unable to accept the appointment and entered a notice of non-representation on June 7, 2021. [Doc. 44].